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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

Microsoft and the Department of Justice have come to an agreement ending the three-year-long antitrust case against Microsoft. This came after round-the-clock negotiations ordered by a U.S. District Judge. I feel this agreement should be honored. The two parties agreed to this settlement, the federal judge accepted this decision, so why should there be any further discussion? I do not think it is in the best interests of our country to endlessly review these decisions. Why do we have courts, after all?

Further, Microsoft has been more than fair in its settlement. Microsoft has agreed to design future versions of Windows with a mechanism to make it easier for computer makers to promote non-Microsoft software; Microsoft has agreed to release important internal information about Windows so that developers can more easily write competing products. Enough is enough.

I ask that you approve this settlement and let our country get back to business.

Sincerely,

Scott Brennan